

**REMARKS**

The Office Action dated November 21, 2006, has been reviewed carefully and the application has been amended in response thereto.

***Election in Response to Restriction Requirement***

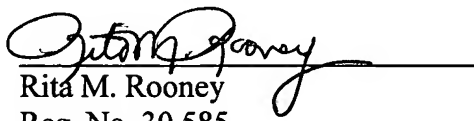
The Examiner has entered a Restriction Requirement in this matter. In response, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I, which includes claims 1 and 2, drawn to a fuel cell system and an electrostatically-actuated shutter for use with the fuel cell system, without traverse.

Applicant accordingly withdraws claims 3-5 without prejudice and reserves the right to present these claims in a divisional or continuation application.

New claims 6-17 are presented herein for the consideration of the examiner.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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